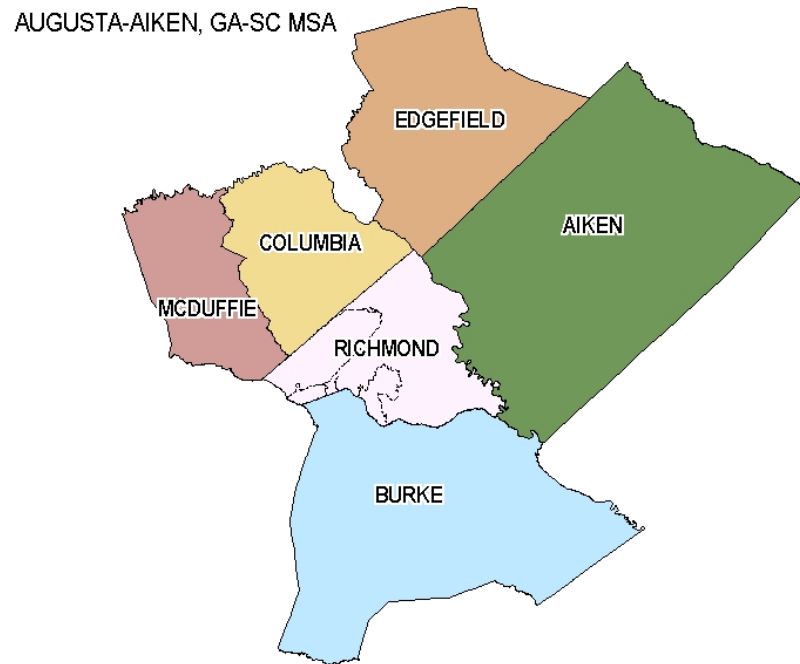


The **Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA)** is the second largest metro area in Georgia and includes Richmond, Columbia, Burke and McDuffie counties in Georgia and Aiken and Edgefield Counties in South Carolina.



Population

AUGUSTA-AIKEN, GA-SC MSA POPULATION

YEAR	POPULATION
1990	438,735
1995	481,119
2000	500,326
2005	520,700
2010(p)	544,440
2015(p)	569,750
2020(p)	596,100
2025(p)	623,720
2030(p)	653,560

(p) Denotes Projected Projection

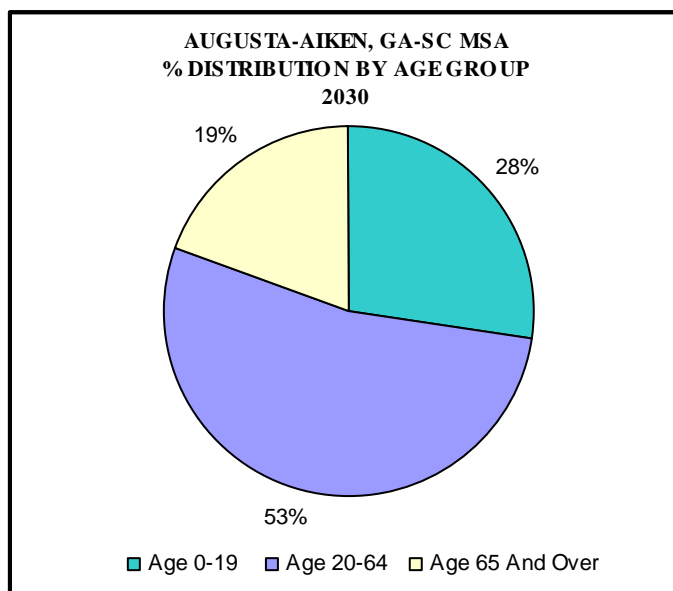
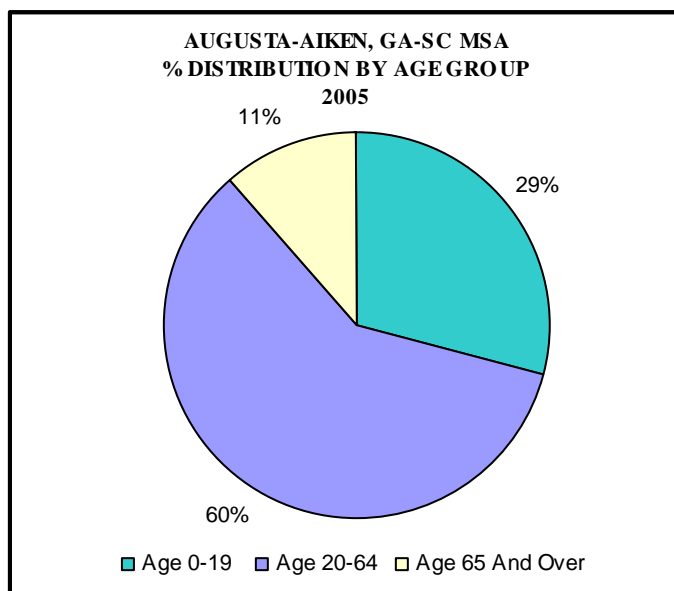
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Population by Age Group

AUGUSTA-AIKEN, GA-SC MSA PROJECTED POPULATION BY AGE GROUP

	YEAR	PROJECTIONS 2005-2010					
	2003	2005	2010	2015	2020	2025	2030
Age 0-19	151,900	152,243	153,820	157,750	166,440	173,450	180,610
Age 20-64	302,280	309,473	324,680	333,220	335,200	338,370	345,820
Age 65 And Over	57,310	58,986	65,940	78,780	94,460	111,900	127,130
Total Population by Age Group	511,490	520,700	544,440	569,750	596,100	623,720	653,560

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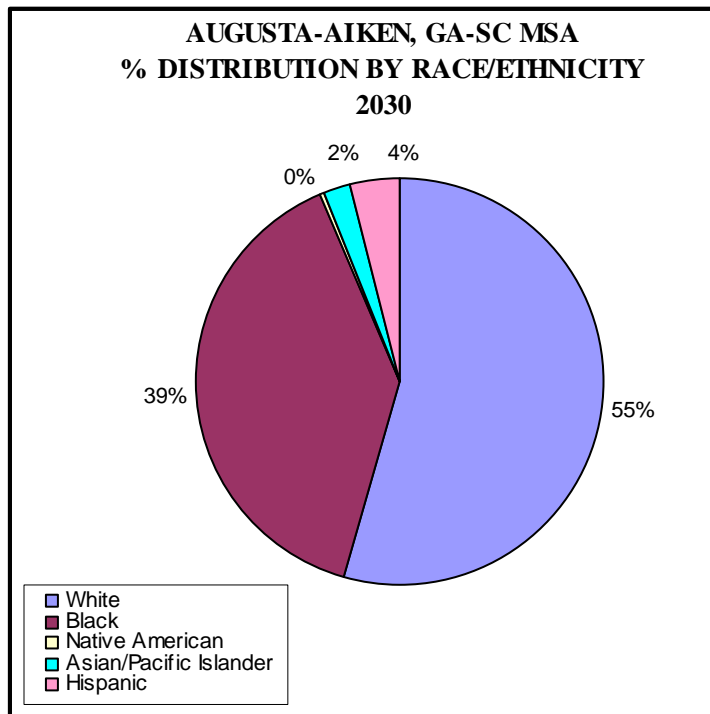
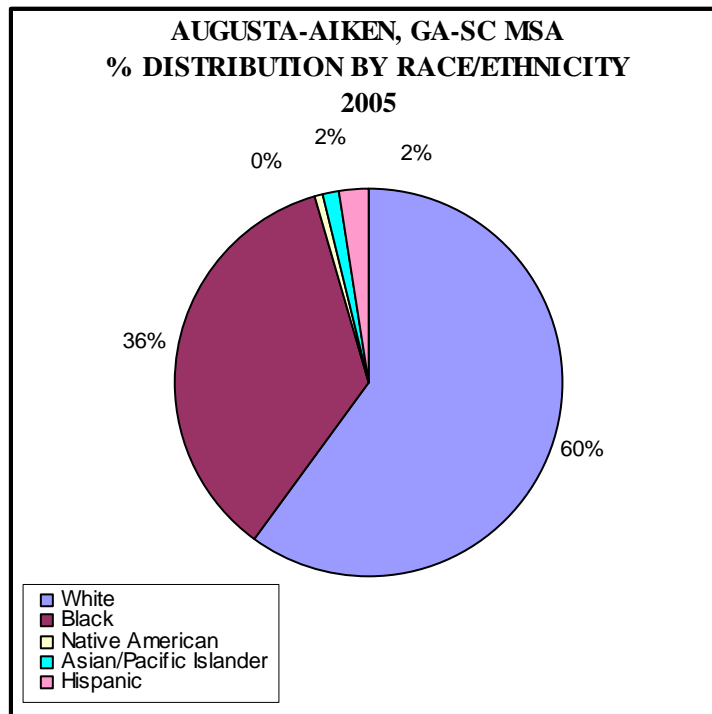
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Population by Race/Ethnicity

AUGUSTA-AIKEN, GA-SC MSA POPULATION BY RACE/ETHNICITY

	YEAR	PROJECTIONS 2005-2010					
	2003	2005	2010	2015	2020	2025	2030
White	309,330	312,450	319,970	328,400	337,510	346,710	356,230
Black	180,840	185,630	198,590	212,140	225,840	240,320	256,210
Native American	1,640	1,650	1,660	1,660	1,660	1,650	1,610
Asian/Pacific Islander	8,180	8,620	9,760	10,840	11,860	12,910	14,090
Hispanic	11,510	12,350	14,460	16,710	19,230	22,130	25,420
Total Population by Race/Ethnicity	511,490	520,700	544,440	569,750	596,100	623,720	653,560

Source: Woods and Poole, Inc., 2005



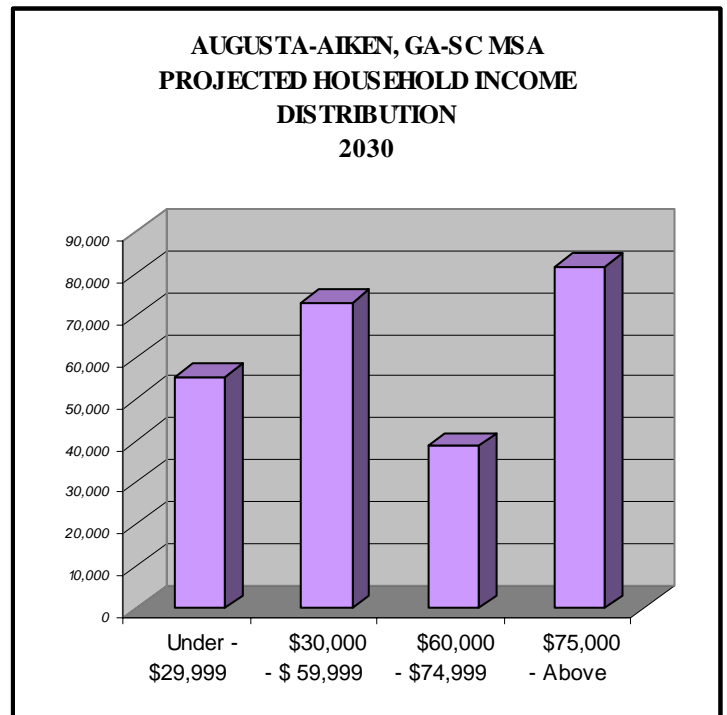
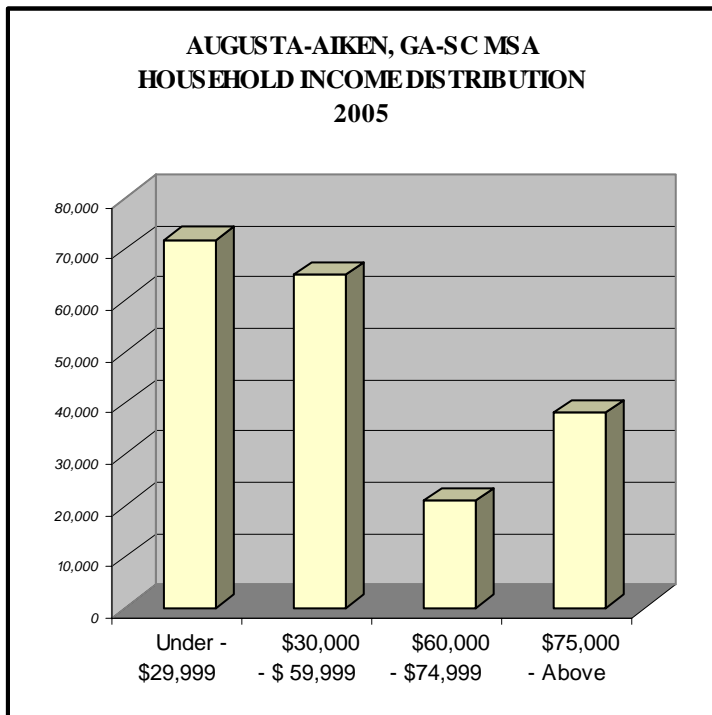
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Household/Income

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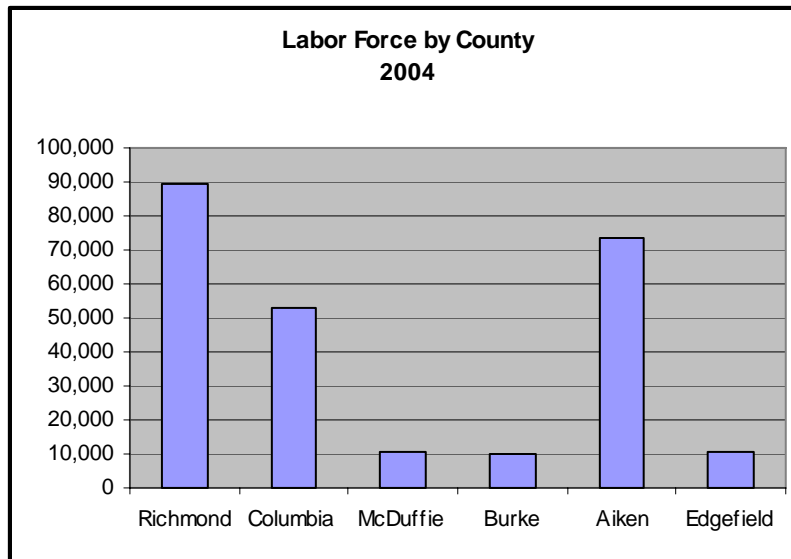
	2001	2003	2005
Number of Households	186,680	192,925	195,790
Income Per Capita (Current \$)	\$24,852	\$26,535	\$28,324
Mean Household Income (Current \$)	\$65,185	\$69,178	\$73,309
Household Income Distribution			
Under - \$29,999	73,732	72,150	71,848
\$30,000 - \$ 59,999	60,631	62,915	64,922
\$60,000 - \$74,999	18,604	19,833	20,934
\$75,000 - Above	33,710	36,027	38,086

Source: Woods and Poole, Inc., 2005



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Labor Force

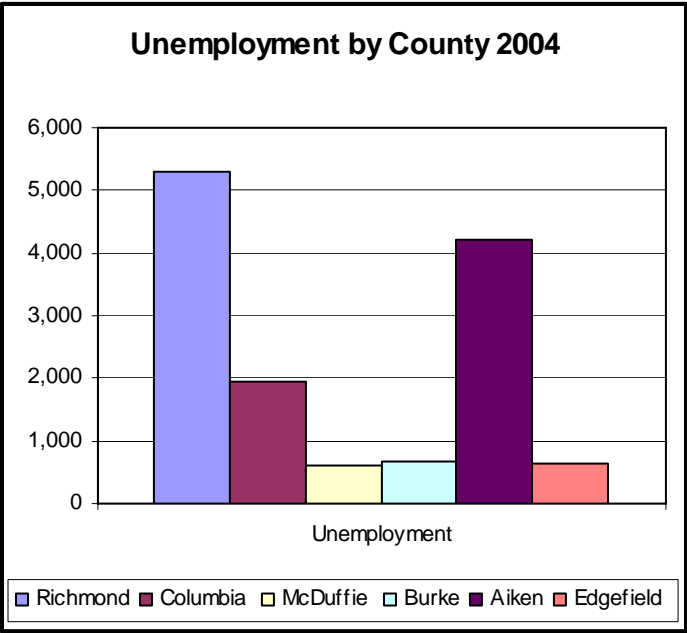
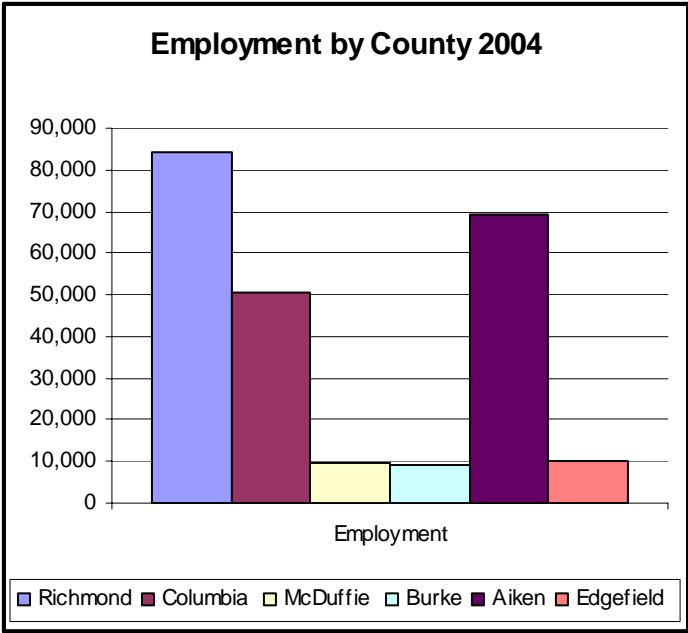


LABOR FORCE BY COUNTY 2004 ANNUAL AVERAGES

	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Unemployment Rate
Richmond	89,700	84,409	5,291	5.9%
Columbia	52,686	50,750	1,936	3.7%
McDuffie	10,320	9,729	591	5.7%
Burke	9,813	9,147	666	6.8%
Aiken	73,342	69,118	4,224	5.8%
Edgefield	10,798	10,151	647	6.0%

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics

Employment/Unemployment



Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor of Statistics

Labor Force by County



LABOR FORCE 2001-2004 RICHMOND COUNTY

	2001	2002	2003	2004
Labor Force	86,798	87,342	88,130	89,700
Employment	82,559	82,522	83,219	84,409
Unemployment	4,239	4,820	4,911	5,291
Unemployment Rate	4.9%	5.5%	5.6%	5.9%
Average Weekly Wage	\$566	\$588	\$612	\$637
Average Annual Pay	\$29,431	\$30,587	\$31,831	\$33,116
Total Wages *	\$3,081,224	\$3,162,930	\$3,313,133	\$3,457,040

* In thousands

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics



LABOR FORCE 2001-2004 COLUMBIA COUNTY

	2001	2002	2003	2004
Labor Force	48,060	50,035	51,778	52,686
Employment	46,644	48,311	50,034	50,750
Unemployment	1,416	1,724	1,744	1,936
Unemployment Rate	2.9%	3.4%	3.4%	3.7%
Average Weekly Wage	\$500	\$512	\$526	\$537
Average Annual Pay	\$26,020	\$26,647	\$27,333	\$27,934
Total Wages *	\$534,851	\$573,630	\$627,302	\$692,399

* In thousands

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics



LABOR FORCE 2001-2004 MCDUFFIE COUNTY

	2001	2002	2003	2004
Labor Force	10,009	10,156	10,236	10,320
Employment	9,425	9,461	9,592	9,729
Unemployment	584	695	644	591
Unemployment Rate	5.8%	6.8%	6.3%	5.7%
Average Weekly Wage	\$464	\$486	\$501	\$511
Average Annual Pay	\$24,108	\$25,292	\$26,044	\$26,568
Total Wages *	\$191,868	\$196,612	\$207,378	\$208,306

* In thousands

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics



LABOR FORCE 2001-2004 BURKE COUNTY

	2001	2002	2003	2004
Labor Force	9,370	9,520	9,834	9,813
Employment	8,802	8,886	9,018	9,147
Unemployment	568	634	816	666
Unemployment Rate	6.1%	6.7%	8.3%	6.8%
Average Weekly Wage	\$559	\$589	\$617	\$648
Average Annual Pay	\$29,047	\$30,617	\$32,086	\$33,706
Total Wages *	\$197,320	\$204,781	\$200,959	\$201,954

* In thousands

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics



LABOR FORCE 2001-2004 AIKEN COUNTY

	2001	2002	2003	2004
Labor Force	68,572	69,710	71,652	73,342
Employment	65,051	66,146	67,894	69,118
Unemployment	3,521	3,564	3,758	4,224
Unemployment Rate	5.1%	5.1%	5.2%	5.8%
Average Weekly Wage	\$694	\$721	\$731	\$740
Average Annual Pay	\$36,111	\$37,475	\$37,993	\$38,458
Total Wages *	\$2,030,635	\$2,106,737	\$2,141,512	\$2,192,628

* In thousands

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics



LABOR FORCE 2001-2004 EDGEFIELD COUNTY

	2001	2002	2003	2004
Labor Force	10,212	10,352	10,506	10,798
Employment	9,705	9,826	9,971	10,151
Unemployment	507	526	535	647
Unemployment Rate	5.0%	5.1%	5.1%	6.0%
Average Weekly Wage	\$477	\$485	\$497	\$505
Average Annual Pay	\$24,825	\$25,211	\$25,868	\$26,234
Total Wages *	\$157,335	\$165,685	\$167,524	\$176,343

* In thousands

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics